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INSPECTION BY THE PEOPLE
THE ONLY WAY TO MULTILATERAL DISARMAMENT

A statement by the Scottish Committee of 100

The long term objective in publishing Official secrets is to help solve the crucial problem of Inspection during general disarmament. We intend to prove to the governments of the world that a determined people, with the interests of humanity at heart can expose any government's "secret" plans during the process of general disarmament. Every disarmament conference has failed because nations believe that others will secretly hide or produce weapons, and then make war when others are disarmed.

SPYING FOR PEACE IN SCOTLAND

The Scottish Committee of 100 has embarked on a programme of hunting out fall-out shelters and secret military establishments. So far (February 1964) we have discovered RSG- Scotland, the War Office Underground Experimental Centre at Inchterf, Underground NATO Combined HQ at Pitreavie, Rosyth, and the Scottish Home Office fall-out shelters for Lanarkshire Civil Defense at East Kilbride, a West of Scotland Control Centre.

Our short term objective is to make the public aware of the large number of military targets in Scotland and to make their exact whereabouts known to people living in the vicinity, by leafleting with detailed maps and holding a demonstration outside. The Establishment seeks to persuade the public that war is impossible (which is what the public wants to believe), while ensuring its own survival in a network of fall-out shelters. War will be seen to be a very real possibility if we make local people aware of the V.I.Ps' preparations to survive the "impossible war". This awareness will destroy any feeling of solidarity with the Establishment and destroy public faith in government policy. The effectiveness of these hideouts in the "post-attack environment" may depend on their location being kept secret. to reveal their location is an effective method of sabotaging the government's war plans.

THE NEED FOR SKILL AND DISCRETION

The Committee's main problem is to sift secrets from the glut of inadequate information available. For obvious reasons we must not publish inaccurate information and we must have a detailed report on all the establishments we intend to expose. Some people have acquired considerable skill and experience in these matters, while others, unfortunately, cannot tell the difference between an electrical sub-station and an RSG. Another consideration is that the Committee members who write or print the info mation may be liable to long prison sentences if they are caught. If you have any information, do not send it by post or use the telephone (ours is tapped), but deliver it in person to someone known to be trustworthy.

SPYING FOR PEACE CHECK LIST

(1) KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN: Whenever you travel by bus, rail or thumbing, watch out for security fencing, police dog notices, radio and radar masts, concrete blockhouses, new building constructions involving heavy earth-moving equipment and military and Civil Defence equipment and personnel.

(2) KEEP YOUR EARS OPEN: You will meet with members of the forces, Civil Defence, local V.I.P.'s, workers on military contracts, who will often drop shippets of information if approached in the correct manner. Hitch hiking is very profitable in this regard.

(3) KNOW YOUR OWN DISTRICT: Buy a 2 1/2" inch to the mile Ordnance Survey map (4/6d) and mark out local authority boundaries and see if you can locate the local authority fall-out shelter. Then check your map to ensure that nothing that actually exists is not shown on it. The reason for this is that Ordnance Survey is a military department and all top security installations are usually omitted from the map. So, if your see a big country house, or block house surrounded by police notices, and it is not shown on the map, you will know that you are on to something. The same logic will apply to mines, lifts and quarries being used for military purposes e.g.D. The 1 inch to the mile Ordnance Survey map does not show sufficient detail, and the 6 inches to the mile map is out of date. For built up areas the 25 inches to the mile map (8/6d) gives the smallest detail, down to outside lavatories and garden fences.

(4) USE YOUR REFERENCE LIBRARY: The large scale Ordnance Survey maps (2 1/2", 6" and 25" inches to the mile) are not available readily from most bookshops, though Smiths of St Vincent Street, Glasgow and Thos. Nelson and Sons, Dalkeith Road Edinburgh 9, do stock them. However, the central reference library in most towns keeps the large scale maps of its own area. Also, the reference library will keep the minutes of all Town Council, Civil Defence, and public works committee. You may even find a history of the local Civil Defence and ARP during the last war, giving the location of shelters. Likewise, civil engineering and building trade journals can be sifted for military and civil tenders and contracts.

(5) WHERE IS IT: Give accurate map and road references, and instructions how to reach the establishment. State whether the establishment is shown on the Ordnance Survey map or not. If you are using a large scale map, sketch in the details.

(6) WHAT IS IT: Sketch in security fencing, gates, ramps leading underground, etc., and take photographs if possible. To determine what the establishment does, take note of the wording of all notices, and also note the signs and insignias on men and vehicles in the forces, e.g. signals or engineers. Let us have the names of local people who know or might know something about the establishment. Most of the establishments were used during the last war and have since been expanded. Determine its function during the last war, and its present function. If you contact as many C.D, Committee of 100, ILP, YS, WRI, and CP members as possible, it is likely that someone will know something. Go and speak to the people on the gate who are working or living there. You may find that the establishment is not so secret, but if it is, you will be told to Move On.

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